

a decade! It is truly remarkable that the Comma has recolonised North-east England so rapidly in the course of only about five years. Additionally, in that time the species has extended its range yet further northwards into Scotland (R. Buckland, pers. comm.).

It is worth mentioning that the leaves of Elm *Ulmus* trees continue to be an important foodplant for the Comma larva in North-east England. Apart from an example of a caterpillar feeding on Blackcurrant *Ribes nigrum* (Johnson, 1998) in a garden in Durham City in 1997, to date all larvae and pupae have been found on *Ulmus*.

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Bruchela rufipes (Olivier) (Col.: Urodontidae) in West Suffolk

Since its original discovery in South Essex in 1984 (Hyman, 1987, *Entomologist's mon. Mag.* **123**: 90.) *Bruchela rufipes* has been expanding its range and I have been awaiting its arrival in Suffolk.

A few months ago, Paul Lee very kindly sent me a list of beetles which he had recorded whilst carrying out a contract survey at Mildenhall Airbase for the Suffolk Wildlife Trust on behalf of the USAF. Amongst his captures was *B. rufipes* which he had swept from the grassy heath there (grid reference TL 678771), on 7 July 1999.

Whilst recording at Icklingham on 26 July 2000 I swept numerous individuals from *Reseda lutea* and *R. luteola* beside a field of Flax on the edge of the Plains (TL 7673) as well as from *R. lutea* growing on a set-aside field at Canada (TL 7775).

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